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<b>TITLE:</b> Method For Repairing An Apertured Gas Turbine Component	) <b>GROUP ART UNIT:</b> 3726

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Final Office Action dated October 30, 2006. This amendment is also in response to the telephone interview with Examiner Jimenez on December 13, 2006.

First, Applicants' attorney again wishes to thank the Examiner for speaking with Applicant's attorney to discuss the present application. This amendment is being faxed to the Examiner at 571-273-8300. In response to the telephone interview, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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